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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
ENERGY POLICY**

Tuesday, December 5, 2017 9:00 a.m. Room 352, State Capitol Building

The House Committee on Energy Policy was called to order by the Chairman, Representative Gary Glenn.

Members present: Representatives Glenn, Hauck, Barrett, Tedder, Bellino, Farrington, Griffin, Johnson, LaFave, Reilly, Lasinski, Dianda, Camilleri, Elder, Green, and Sneller.

Members absent/excused: Representatives Cole, Lower, and Garrett.

Representative Hauck moved to adopt the minutes from the Tuesday, November 28, 2017 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid before the committee HB 4708:

HB 4708 (Reilly)	Public utilities; electric utilities; eligibility to purchase electricity from an alternative electric supplier; include certain schools, colleges, and universities.
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Representative Johnson moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) to HB 4708.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 13-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Glenn, Hauck, Tedder, Farrington, Griffin, Johnson, LaFave, Reilly, Lasinski, Dianda, Elder, Green, and Sneller.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Representative Reilly, and Tim Throne, Superintendent of Oxford Community Schools, introduced the bill to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

Brian Broderick, representing the Michigan Association of Nonpublic Schools, and David Zuhlke, representing Michigan Schools Energy Cooperative, testified in support of HB 4708.

Brian Hofmeister, representing Consumers Energy, testified in opposition to HB 4708.

Robert Bernardi and Thomas Ihrig, representing Executive Energy Services, LLC, testified in support of HB 4708.

Renze Hoeksma, representing DTE Energy, testified in opposition to HB 4708.

Jason Geer, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, testified in opposition of HB 4708.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4708, but did not wish to speak:

Paul Stankewitz, representing the Michigan Catholic Conference.

Larry Ward, representing the Michigan Conservative Energy Forum.

David Randels, representing Oakland Schools.

The following people submitted a card in opposition of HB 4708, but did not wish to speak:

Mike O'Brien, representing the Indiana Michigan Power Company.

Frank Accavitti Jr., representing the Accavitti Consulting Group.

Mike Johnston, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association.

Todd Tennis, representing the Utility Workers Union of America.

Tim Hutchins, representing the IBEW Michigan State Conference.

James A. Ault, representing the Michigan Electric and Gas Association.

Representative LaFave moved to excuse the absent members.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 10:25 a.m.

Representative Gary Glenn, Chair

Eddie Sleeper
Committee Clerk
December 5, 2017
1 hour 25 minutes

Date Approved and Signed